



# Brilliant III Ultra-Fast QPCR Master Mix

## Quick Reference Guide for the ABI StepOnePlus Real-Time PCR System

*This quick reference guide provides an optimized protocol for using the Stratagene Brilliant III Ultra-Fast QPCR Master Mix with the StepOnePlus Real-Time PCR System from Applied Biosystems. For detailed instructions, refer to the full product manual.*

### Prepare the Reactions

- 1 Dilute the reference dye 1:50 using nuclease-free PCR-grade water.
- 2 Prepare the experimental reactions by combining the components of the reagent mixture in the order listed in the table below. Prepare a single reagent mixture for replicate reactions (plus at least one reaction volume excess) using multiples of each component.

Reagent Mixture
Nuclease-free PCR-grade water to bring final volume to 20 $\mu$ l (including DNA)
10 $\mu$ l of 2 $\times$ QPCR Master Mix
x $\mu$ l of experimental probe at optimized concentration (150–600 nM)
x $\mu$ l of upstream primer at optimized concentration (200–600 nM)
x $\mu$ l of downstream primer at optimized concentration (200–600 nM)
0.3 $\mu$ l of diluted reference dye

- 3 Gently mix the reagent mixture without creating bubbles, then distribute the mixture to the experimental reaction tubes.
- 4 Add x  $\mu$ l of experimental DNA to each reaction to bring the final reaction volume to 20  $\mu$ l. The table below lists a suggested quantity range for different DNA templates.

DNA	Quantity per reaction
Genomic DNA	5 pg – 100 ng
cDNA	0.1 pg – 100 ng*

\*Refers to RNA input amount during cDNA synthesis

- 5 Mix the reactions without creating bubbles, then centrifuge briefly.

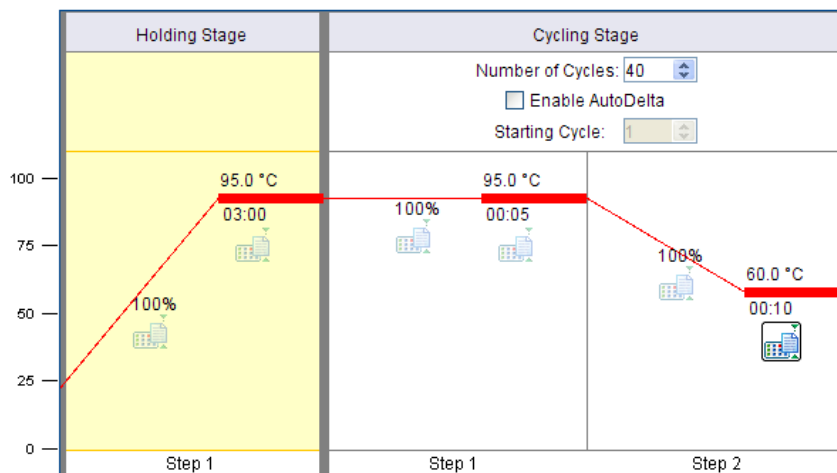


## Set Up the QPCR Plate and Thermal Profile

- 1 From the Home screen of the StepOnePlus software, click **Advanced Setup**.
- 2 Complete the Setup screens for a new experiment as needed.

*On the Experiment Properties screen, select **TaqMan Reagents** and the **Fast** ramp speed.*

*On the Run Method screen, set the reaction volume to 20  $\mu$ l and adjust the thermal profile according to the image below.*



## Run the PCR Program

- 1 Place the reactions in the StepOnePlus instrument.
- 2 On the Run screen, click **START RUN**.

## Analyze Data

- 1 Analyze the results of the run as needed for your experiment.

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### Product Information

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